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REFERENCE TO:

PROBABLE LONG RANGE SAM LAUNCH COMPLEX
CHEREPOVETS, USSR

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: MISSILE ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED AT THE COMPLEX.

2. LOCATION: 8 NM ESE OF CHEREPOVETS

3. REMARKS: THIS COMPLEX IS ONE OF 32 SUCH COMPLEXES THUS
FAR IDENTIFIED IN THE USSR.

4. COLLATERAL: NONE

5. FIRST IDENTIFICATION:

6. NEGATION DATE:

7. SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE:

18 KH-4, 5 KH-7,

8. DIMENSIONS/
SPECIFICATIONS:

U/I NEW CONSTRUCTION:

NEW EXCAVATION - 145 X 60 FT (APPROX)

RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE - 100 X 20 FT (APPROX)

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9. MISSION READOUT:

THIS TARGET WAS PROGRAMMED FOR COVERAGE

[REDACTED] ONE IS CLOUD COVERED AND [REDACTED] THE TARGET CAN BE IDENTIFIED ONLY. SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY OBSERVED AT THE COMPLEX DURING THE PERIOD OF THIS MISSION INCLUDES THE APPEARANCE OF MISSILES ON TRANSPORTERS WITHIN THE MISSILE-HANDLING FACILITY, A MISSILE TRANSPORTER AND A PROBABLE CRANE LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE LAUNCH POINT AT POSITION B-5, AND A MISSILE ON THE LAUNCHER AT POSITION B-1. ONLY A PORTION OF LAUNCH SITE "D" IS DISCERNIBLE THROUGH HEAVY CLOUD COVER [REDACTED] AND THE COMPLEX IS COMPLETELY CLOUD COVERED ON PHOTOGRAPHY [REDACTED] VARIOUS POSITIONS OF THE COMPLEX ARE VISIBLE THROUGH SCATTERED CLOUDS, CLOUD SHADOW, AND HAZE ON PHOTOGRAPHY [REDACTED] THE ENTIRE COMPLEX IS OBSERVED ON STEREO PHOTOGRAPHY [REDACTED] WITH INTERPRETATION SOMEWHAT LIMITED BY HAZE.

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EACH LAUNCH POSITION OF THE 5 LAUNCH SITES IS OCCUPIED BY A LAUNCHER, AND 2 MISSILE DOLLIES ARE OBSERVED EXCEPT AT CERTAIN POSITIONS WHERE MISSILE-READY SHELTERS PROBABLY COVER THEM. THE CONTROL CENTERS OF THE 5 SITES ARE OCCUPIED.

A MISSILE TRANSPORTER IS LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE LAUNCH POINT AT POSITION B-5 [REDACTED] A PROBABLE CRANE IS LOCATED BETWEEN THE TRANSPORTER AND THE LAUNCHER. A MISSILE WAS PROBABLY ON THE LAUNCHER AT THIS TIME.

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ONE OF THE MISSILE DOLLIES IS AT ITS USUAL LOCATION AT THE OPPOSITE
END OF THE POSITION. [REDACTED] THE TRANSPORTER AND POSSIBLE CRANE
WERE REMOVED, A MISSILE WAS ON THE LAUNCHER, AND 2 MISSILE DOLLIES WERE
AT THEIR NORMAL LOCATION. A VEHICLE, OBSERVED IN MOTION ON THE STEREO
COVERAGE [REDACTED] TRAVELED FROM THE SERVICE ROAD OF LAUNCH POSITION
B-1 TO A POINT OVER THE TRACKS DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE MISSILE-READY
SHELTER. IT WAS NOT AT THIS LOCATION [REDACTED] A SIMILAR VEHICLE
WAS PARKED ON THE TRACKS PERPENDICULAR TO THE 2 MISSILE DOLLIES AT
LAUNCH POSITION C-1 [REDACTED] AND WAS REMOVED [REDACTED] A MISSILE
OBSERVED ON THE LAUNCHER AT POSITION B-1 [REDACTED] IS PROBABLY PRESENT
ON THE EARLIER PHOTOGRAPHY.

MOVEMENT OF MISSILE DOLLIES OCCURRED AT SOME OF THE LAUNCH POSITIONS
DURING THE PERIOD OF OBSERVATION AND VEHICLES IN MOTION WERE OBSERVED
ON LAUNCH SITE SERVICE ROADS. THREE COVERED MISSILES ON TRANSPORTERS,
1 IN MOTION, ARE ON THE ROAD ALONG THE EASTERN SIDE OF THE MISSILE-
HANDLING FACILITY [REDACTED] THEY WERE NOT OBSERVED ON THE EARLIER
COVERAGE. VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT ARE PARKED ON THE APRONS SERVING
BUILDINGS IN THE MISSILE-HANDLING FACILITY. CONSIDERABLE VEHICULAR
MOVEMENT IS EVIDENT DURING THE PERIOD.

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TWELVE TENTS ALIGNED IN 2 ROWS ARE LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF LAUNCH SITE C.

FACILITIES NOT SHOWN ON GRAPHIC INCLUDE: THE TRACKING/GUIDANCE RADAR FACILITY IS FULLY COMPLEMENTED WITH AN ENGAGEMENT RADAR AND ASSOCIATED VANS/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT AT EACH OF THE 5 RADAR POSITIONS AND VANS/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT OCCUPY THE CONTROL CENTER.

REPETITIVE COVERAGE OF THIS FACILITY IS LIMITED, BUT NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IS DETECTABLE BETWEEN [REDACTED] A PROBABLE CALIBRATION TOWER IS LOCATED JUST SE OF THE TRACKING/GUIDANCE FACILITY.

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BACK NET AND SIDE NET RADARS STILL OCCUPY THE AIR WARNING RADAR FACILITY LOCATED 4 NM WNW OF THE LAUNCH COMPLEX.

NEW UNIDENTIFIED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY IS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY APPROXIMATELY 3.5 NM WNW OF THE LAUNCH COMPLEX. A RECTANGULAR STRUCTURE, MEASURING APPROXIMATELY 100 X 20 FT WHEN OBSERVED ON PHOTOGRAPHY [REDACTED] IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION WITHIN A 145 X 60-FT EXCAVATION BORDERED BY FOOTINGS. ADDITIONAL FOOTINGS AND EXCAVATIONS ARE LOCATED JUST EAST OF THIS AREA. ANOTHER AREA OF GROUND SCARRING IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 700 FT EAST OF THE NEW CONSTRUCTION.

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